



Bluffton Police Department

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Bluffton Police Department & Verizon Wireless Hopeline Phone Drive

Who:

Bluffton Police and Verizon Wireless

What:

Hopeline Phone Drive to benefit victims of domestic violence

Where:

Bluffton Police Dept., Bluffton Town Hall, Bluffton Township Fire District, Bluffton Library

When:

April 12-April 26

The Bluffton Police Department is teaming up with Verizon Wireless to collect as many used and broken cell phones for victims of domestic violence. It's called Hopeline, and its purpose is to connect survivors of domestic violence to vital resources, fund organizations nationwide and protect the environment.

You can help in the Hopeline Phone Drive by dropping off no-longer-used wireless phones and accessories in any condition, from any service provider, at four different locations throughout Bluffton.

This effort will run from April 12, 2016 – April 26, 2016 in coordination with National Crime Victim's Rights Week. The drop-off locations include:

Bluffton Police Department, 101 Progressive Street

Bluffton Town Hall, 20 Bridge Street

Bluffton Township Fire District Headquarters, 357 Fording Island Road

Bluffton Library, 120 Palmetto Way

All phones that can be refurbished will be donated to victims and survivors of domestic violence. Phones that can't be refurbished will be sold for parts. That money will then be donated to local organizations that help victims and survivors of domestic violence.

For more information regarding Hopeline go to: <http://www.verizon.com/about/responsibility/hopeline>

A special thank you to the Bluffton Township Fire District and the Bluffton Library for assisting with this effort.

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